Introduced by Senator Migden

February 22, 2005

An act to amend—Section 6216.5 of the Public Resources Code, relating to state lands. Sections 53395, 53395.1, 53395.3, 53395.4, 53395.5, 53395.14, and 53395.20 of, and to add Section 53395.26 to, the Government Code, relating to infrastructure financing districts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1085, as amended, Migden. State lands: minerals Infrastructure financing districts: public trust lands.

Under existing law, the State Lands Commission may prescribe rules and regulations for the noncommercial hobby collection of minerals from state lands as are in the best interests of the state.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in that provision.

Existing law authorizes the formation by local legislative bodies of infrastructure financing districts, which may include specified types of areas, to incur debt, as defined, or provide for tax increment allocation, to finance the purchase, construction, expansion, improvement, seismic retrofit, or rehabilitation of specified types of real or tangible property, including specified types of facilities, pursuant to an infrastructure financing plan adopted pursuant to specified procedures.

This bill would expand the definition of "debt" for these purposes, include environmental remediation and certain types of repairs within those projects that may be financed, include various facilities within those qualifying for financing, and make various clarifying changes. It would include tidelands and submerged lands subject to the public trust among the areas that may be included in an infrastructure

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financing district and make related changes. It would also make various changes in the procedures for formation of the district and adoption of an infrastructure financing plan if all the land in the district would be publicly owned, and authorize the amendment of an infrastructure financing plan to extend time limitations for receipt of property tax increment, subject to specified conditions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6216.5 of the Public Resources Code is 2 amended to read:

SECTION 1. Section 53395 of the Government Code is amended to read:

53395. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that the state and federal governments have withdrawn in whole or in part from their former role in financing major, regional, or communitywide infrastructure, including highways and interchanges, sewage treatment and water reclamation works, water supply and treatment works, flood control and drainage works, schools, libraries, parks, parking facilities, open space, and seismic retrofit and rehabilitation of public facilities.

- (b) The Legislature further finds and declares that the methods available to local agencies to finance public works often place an undue and unfair burden on buyers of new homes, especially for public works that benefit the broader community.
- (c) The Legislature further finds and declares that the absence of practical and equitable methods for financing both regional and local public works leads to a declining standard of public works, a reduced quality of life and decreased safety for affected citizens, increased objection to otherwise desirable development, and excessive costs for homebuyers.
- (d) The Legislature further finds and declares that it is equitable and in the public interest to provide alternative procedures for financing public works and services needed to meet the needs of new housing and other development projects.
- (e) The Legislature further finds and declares that consolidating in a single public agency the responsibility to administer waterfront lands subject to the public trust and the

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ability to capture property tax increment to finance needed public infrastructure improvements in those areas will further the objectives of the public trust and increase the use and enjoyment of those trust lands by the people of the state.

- SEC. 2. Section 53395.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 53395.1. Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions contained in this article shall govern the construction of this chapter.
- (a) "Affected taxing entity" means any governmental taxing agency which levied or had levied on its behalf a property tax on all or a portion of the property located in the proposed district in the fiscal year prior to the designation of the district, but not including any county office of education, school district, or community college district.
 - (b) "City" means a city, a county, or a city and county.
- (c) "Debt" means any binding obligation to repay a sum of money, including obligations in the form of bonds, certificates of participation, *commercial paper*, *variable rate demand notes*, long-term leases, loans from government agencies, or loans from banks, other financial institutions, private businesses, or individuals.
- (d) "Designated official" means the city engineer or other appropriate official designated pursuant to Section 53395.13.
 - (e) "District" means an infrastructure financing district.
- (f) "Infrastructure financing district" means a legally constituted governmental entity established pursuant to this chapter for the sole purpose of financing public facilities.
- (g) "Landowner" or "owner of land" means any person shown as the owner of land on the last equalized assessment roll or otherwise known to be the owner of the land by the legislative body. The legislative body has no obligation to obtain other information as to the ownership of land, and its determination of ownership shall be final and conclusive for the purposes of this chapter. A public agency is not a landowner or owner of land for purposes of this chapter, unless the public agency owns all of the land to be included within the proposed district.
- (h) "Legislative body" means the city council or board of supervisors.

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1 SEC. 3. Section 53395.3 of the Government Code is amended 2 to read:

- 53395.3. (a) (1) A district may finance (1) the any of the following: purchase,
- (A) The purchase, construction, expansion, improvement, seismic retrofit, environmental remediation, or rehabilitation of any real or other tangible property with an estimated useful life of 15 years or longer which satisfies the requirements of subdivision (b), (2) may finance planning.
- (B) Planning and design work—which that is directly related to the purchase, construction, expansion, improvement, seismic retrofit, environmental remediation, or rehabilitation of that property—and (3) the described in subparagraph (A).
 - (C) The costs described in Sections 53395.5, and 53396.5.—A
- (2) A district may only finance the purchase of facilities for which construction has been completed, as determined by the legislative body. The facilities need not be physically located within the boundaries of the district. A district may not finance routine maintenance, *routine nonstructural* repair work, or the costs of ongoing operation or providing services of any kind.
- (b) The district shall finance only public capital facilities of communitywide significance, which provide significant benefits to an area larger than the area of the district, including, but not limited to, all of the following:
- (1) Highways, interchanges, ramps and bridges, arterial streets, parking facilities, and transit facilities.
- (2) Sewage treatment and water reclamation plants and interceptor pipes.
- (3) Facilities for the collection and treatment of water for urban uses.
- 31 (4) Flood control levees and dams, retention basins, and drainage channels.
 - (5) Child care facilities.
- 34 (6) Libraries.
 - (7) Parks, recreational facilities, and open space.
- 36 (8) Facilities for the transfer and disposal of solid waste, 37 including transfer stations and vehicles.
- *(9)* Seismic and life-safety improvements to existing buildings and other structures.

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(10) Rehabilitation, restoration, and preservation of structures, buildings, or other facilities having special historical, architectural, or aesthetic interest or value and that are locally designated landmarks.

- (11) Structural repairs and improvements to piers, seawalls, and wharves.
 - (12) Remediation of hazardous materials.

- (c) Any district which constructs dwelling units shall set aside not less than 20 percent of those units to increase and improve the community's supply of low- and moderate-income housing available at an affordable housing cost, as defined by Section 50052.5 of the Health and Safety Code, to persons and families of low- and moderate-income, as defined in Section 50093 of the Health and Safety Code.
- SEC. 4. Section 53395.4 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 53395.4. (a) A district may not include any portion of a redevelopment project area—which that is or has been previously created pursuant to Part 1 (commencing with Section 33000) of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code, whether the creation is or was proper or improper. A redevelopment project area may not include any portion of a district created pursuant to this chapter.
- (b) A district may finance only the facilities or services authorized in this chapter to the extent that the facilities or services are in addition to those provided in the territory of the district before the district was created. The additional facilities or services may not supplant facilities or services already available within that territory when the district was created but may supplement those facilities and services as needed to serve new developments.
 - (c) A district may include areas-which that are not contiguous.
- (d) A district may include tidelands and submerged lands, including filled lands, subject to the public trust. However, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to exempt the lands from any legal restrictions on use under the public trust or an exemption from any trust or otherwise limit the jurisdiction of the public agencies having responsibility for the stewardship of the public trust lands.

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SEC. 5. Section 53395.5 of the Government Code is amended to read:

53395.5. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that the area of the districts created be substantially undeveloped, and the establishment of a district should not ordinarily lead to the removal of existing dwelling units. If, however, any dwelling units are proposed to be removed or destroyed in the course of private development or public works construction within the area of the district, the legislative body shall do all of the following:

(a)

(1) Within four years of the removal or destruction, cause or require the construction or rehabilitation, for rental or sale to persons or families of low or moderate income, of an equal number of replacement dwelling units at affordable housing cost, as defined in Section 50052.5 of the Health and Safety Code, within the territory of the district if the dwelling units removed were inhabited by persons or families of low or moderate income, as defined in Section 50093 of the Health and Safety Code.

(b)

(2) Within four years of the removal or destruction, cause or require the construction or rehabilitation, for rental or sale to persons of low or moderate income, a number of dwelling units which is at least one unit but not less than 20 percent of the total dwelling units removed at affordable housing cost, as defined in Section 50052.5 of the Health and Safety Code, within the territory of the district if the dwelling units removed or destroyed were not inhabited by persons of low or moderate income, as defined in Section 50093 of the Health and Safety Code.

(e)

(3) Provide relocation assistance and make all the payments required by Chapter 16 (commencing with Section 7260) of Division 7 of Title 1, to persons displaced by any public or private development occurring within the territory of the district. This displacement shall be deemed to be the result of public action.

38 (d)

(4) Ensure that removal or destruction of any dwelling units occupied by persons or families of low or moderate income not

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take place unless and until there are suitable housing units, at comparable cost to the units from which the persons or families were displaced, available and ready for occupancy by the residents of the units at the time of their displacement. The housing units shall be suitable to the needs of these displaced persons or families and shall be decent, safe, sanitary, and otherwise standard dwellings.

- (b) Nothing in this section is intended to prohibit the formation of a district on urban waterfront property, nor the financing of needed public infrastructure projects located on public trust lands.
- SEC. 6. Section 53395.14 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 53395.14. After receipt of a copy of the resolution of intention to establish a district, the official designated pursuant to Section 53395.13 shall prepare a proposed infrastructure financing plan. The infrastructure financing plan shall be consistent with the general plan of the city within which the district is located and shall include all of the following:
- (a) A map and legal description of the proposed district, which may include all or a portion of the district designated by the legislative body in its resolution of intention.
- (b) A description of the public facilities required to serve the development proposed in the area of the district including those to be provided by the private sector, those to be provided by governmental entities without assistance under this chapter, those public improvements and facilities to be financed with assistance from the proposed district, and those to be provided jointly. The description shall include the proposed location, timing, and costs of the public improvements and facilities.
- (c) (1) A finding that the public facilities are of communitywide significance and provide significant benefits to an area larger than the area of the district.
- (2) Infrastructure improvements that increase public access to, or use or enjoyment of, public trust lands shall be deemed to satisfy this requirement.
- 37 (d) A financing section, which shall contain all of the 38 following information:
- 39 (1) A specification of the maximum portion of the incremental 40 tax revenue of the city and of each affected taxing entity

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proposed to be committed to the district for each year during which the district will receive incremental tax revenue. The portion need not be the same for all affected taxing entities. The portion may change over time.

- (2) A projection of the amount of tax revenues expected to be received by the district in each year during which the district will receive tax revenues, including an estimate of the amount of tax revenues attributable to each affected taxing entity for each year.
- (3) A plan for financing the public facilities to be assisted by the district, including a detailed description of any intention to incur debt.
- (4) A limit on the total number of dollars of taxes which may be allocated to the district pursuant to the plan.
- (5) A date on which the district will cease to exist, by which time all tax allocation to the district will end. The date shall not be more than 30 years from the date on which the ordinance forming the district is adopted pursuant to Section 53395.23.
- (6) An analysis of the costs to the city of providing facilities and services to the area of the district while the area is being developed and after the area is developed. The plan shall also include an analysis of the tax, fee, charge, and other revenues expected to be received by the city as a result of expected development in the area of the district.
- (7) An analysis of the projected fiscal impact of the district and the associated development upon each affected taxing entity.
- (e) If any dwelling units occupied by persons or families of low or moderate income are proposed to be removed or destroyed in the course of private development or public works construction within the area of the district, a plan providing for replacement of those units and relocation of those persons or families consistent with the requirements of Section 53395.5.
- SEC. 7. Section 53395.20 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 53395.20. (a) At the conclusion of the hearing, the legislative body may adopt a resolution proposing adoption of the infrastructure financing plan, as modified, and formation of the infrastructure financing district in a manner consistent with Section 53395.19, or it may abandon the proceedings. If the legislative body adopts a resolution proposing formation of the district, it shall then submit the proposal to create the district to

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the qualified electors of the proposed district in the next general election or in a special election to be held, notwithstanding any other requirement, including any requirement that elections be held on specified dates, contained in the Elections Code, at least 90 days, but not more than 180 days, following the adoption of the resolution of formation. The legislative body shall provide the resolution of formation, a certified map of sufficient scale and clarity to show the boundaries of the district, and a sufficient description to allow the election official to determine the boundaries of the district to the official conducting the election within three business days after the adoption of the resolution of formation. The assessor's parcel numbers for the land within the district shall be included if it is a landowner election or the district does not conform to an existing district's boundaries and if requested by the official conducting the election. If the election is to be held less than 125 days following the adoption of the resolution of formation, the concurrence of the election official conducting the election shall be required. However, any time limit specified by this section or requirement pertaining to the conduct of the election may be waived with the unanimous consent of the qualified electors of the proposed district and the concurrence of the election official conducting the election.

(b) If at least 12 persons have been registered to vote within the territory of the proposed district for each of the 90 days preceding the close of the hearing, the vote shall be by the registered voters of the proposed district, who need not necessarily be the same persons, with each voter having one vote. Otherwise, the vote shall be by the landowners of the proposed district and each landowner who is the owner of record at the close of the protest hearing, or the authorized representative thereof, shall have one vote for each acre or portion of an acre of land that he or she owns within the proposed district. The number of votes to be voted by a particular landowner shall be specified on the ballot provided to that landowner.

(c) Ballots for the special election authorized by subdivision (a) may be distributed to qualified electors by mail with return postage prepaid or by personal service by the election official. The official conducting the election may certify the proper mailing of ballots by an affidavit, which shall be exclusive proof of mailing in the absence of fraud. The voted ballots shall be

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1 returned to the election officer conducting the election not later 2 than the hour specified in the resolution calling the election. 3 However, if all the qualified voters have voted, the election shall

3 However, if all the qualified voters have voted, the election shall be closed.

- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if all the land in the district would be publicly owned, no election shall be required to form the district, and the legislative body may, by ordinance, adopt the infrastructure financing plan and create the district, upon recommendation of the public agency with jurisdiction over the land.
- SEC. 8. Section 53395.26 is added to the Government Code, to read:
- 53395.26. (a) The legislative body may amend an infrastructure financing plan to extend the time limitations for receipt of property tax increment beyond the 30–year period from adoption of the ordinance for the district for a period not to exceed 10 years to pay bonded indebtedness, if the district does all of the following:
- (1) Includes an amendment, if necessary, to increase the total number of dollars to be allocated to the district.
- (2) Prepares an analysis of the projected fiscal impact on each affected taxing entity.
 - (3) Sets a time and date for a public hearing on the matter.
- (b) The amendment to the infrastructure financing plan shall be mailed by the clerk to each affected taxing entity for its review. Each affected taxing entity shall review and consent to or disapprove the amended infrastructure financing plan within 60 days of the receipt thereof.
- (c) The legislative body shall hold a public hearing regarding the amendment to the infrastructure financing plan within 60 days after each affected taxing entity has approved the extension. The public hearing, and notice thereof, shall be conducted in accordance with Sections 53395.17 and 53395.18. At the conclusion of the hearing, the legislative body may adopt an ordinance adopting the infrastructure financing plan, as modified, or it may abandon the proceedings.
- 6216.5. The commission may prescribe rules and regulations for the noncommercial hobby collection of minerals from state lands as are in the best interests of the state. This section shall not prevent other state agencies from setting more definitive limits

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- 1 on hobby collecting on lands over which they have a proprietary
- 2 interest.